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RECOGNIZING FATHER’S DAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Fatherhood is among the most difficult and rewarding responsibilities that a man can undertake. It demands constant attention, frequent sacrifice, and patience. With encouragement and unconditional love, fathers guide their children to pursue brighter futures. They are teachers, coaches, and role models to their children. They instill values like hard work and integrity, and teach their children to take responsibility for themselves and those around them. This is a task for every father -- and every child deserves someone who will step up and fill this role. On Father's Day, we express our gratitude to the men who show us how to learn, grow, and live.

Because of all the benefits that come from fathers who raise their children in a nurturing environment, Los Angeles County should continue encouraging communities to convene leaders, identify effective strategies, and work together toward promoting responsible fatherhood so that —

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1. Fathers can foster loving and healthy relationships with their children;
2. Fathers can help all children enter school cognitively, physically, socially and emotionally ready;
3. Fathers receive guidance on how to nurture the talents of their children at every stage of development so they become productive citizens with a strong sense of giving back to community;

It is important that we recognize the immeasurable contributions of fathers in the development of children, supporting responsible fatherhood, and encouraging greater involvement of fathers in the lives of their children, especially on Father's Day.

WE, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors

In recognition of June, 21 2015 as Father's Day,

- (1) Honor the men in Los Angeles County who are active in the lives of their children, which in turn, has a significant impact on their children, their families, and their communities;
- (2) Emphasize the need for increased public awareness and activities regarding responsible fatherhood and healthy families; and
- (3) Reaffirm the commitment of Los Angeles County in supporting children without a father figure through initiatives like My Brother's Keeper, which could assist all children to reach their full potential.

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